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REPORTS

OF THE

AUDITORS

AND

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF GILMANTON

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1875.

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CONCORD, N. H.:  
THE PEOPLE STEAM PRESS.  
1875.



## STATEMENT.

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By request of the tax-payers of Gilmanton we here insert, for the information of the town, the expenses of the Selectmen and officers named, from March 1, 1874, to March 1, 1875:

Alvah Foss, in full,	\$100.13
Zaccheus Peaslee, in full,	103.25
Charles H. Shannon, in full.	95.50
Zaccheus Peaslee, Town Treasurer,	75.00
Charles E. Marsh, Town Clerk,	4.50
N. E. Young, Town Clerk,	8.19
James A. Hurd, Town Clerk,	24.40
A. Peaslee, for board of Selectmen,	46.40
C. H. Shannon, for board of Selectmen,	19.50
John K. Dudley, for Selectman services,	7.83
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## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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*Zaccheus Peaslee, in account with Town of Gilmanton.*

1874.

March 1.	To balance due on settlement,	\$6,323.58
April 18.	To cash hired of Mary A. Gilman,	165.00
24.	Edwin F. Hurd,	40.00
May 25.	N. Pickering,	25.00
	received of Geo. W. Farrington,	4.00
June 6.	hired of E. Chase,	100.00
July 20.	John P. Clough,	200.00
Aug. 7.	Lydia A. Hussey,	150.00
	Edwin S. Nelson,	100.00
12.	J. P. Hill,	100.00
22.	A. V. Edgerly,	900.00

Aug. 22.	To cash hired of A. C. Shannon,	500.00
	G. E. Smith,	123.75
	S. W. Sargent,	100.00
	C. M. Sargent,	60.00
	Lydia Bean,	50.00
Sept. 3.	Frank H. Edgerly,	260.00
	Asa S. Page,	48.84
5.	D. G. Edgerly,	300.00
	W. B. Marsh,	50.00
	D. T. Conner,	25.00
7.	J. P. Hill,	100.00
11.	M. I. Copp,	25.00
Oct. 5.	Clark R. Lewis,	500.00
30.	Asa F. Page,	100.00
	A. M. Page,	100.00
	A. E. Gale,	125.00
	O. E. Moulton,	50.00
	Joseph T. Cotton,	125.00
	Betsey Hussey,	200.00
Nov. 7.	Frank and Flora Lougee,	12.00
	A. H. Tilton,	1,000.00
	H. Glidden,	60.00
	E. A. Glidden,	270.00
20.	Horace Beck,	75.00
	Willie B. Marsh,	50.00
	L. D. Blake,	20.00
30.	Mary I. Copp,	30.00
Dec. 5.	Olive Jane Lougee,	25.00
	Mary Piper,	40.00
22.	Sarah Batchelder,	25.00
1875.		
Feb. 15.	Mary I. Copp,	30.00
	To state, county and town tax in east district,	4,870.16
	west district,	3,943.28
	south district,	3,639.59
	To cash of State for savings bank tax,	843.42
	railroad tax,	92.89
	literary fund,	166.46
	U. S. bounty,	160.00



Feb. 25.	C. H. Shannon, for license,	3.00
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		\$26,305.97

*Paid outstanding Orders, and interest on the same, issued by the  
Selectmen before March 1, 1875.*

Paid order and int. drawn to	E. L. Moore,	\$25.83
	O. F. Forbes,	104.83
	O. F. Forbes,	80.17
	J. K. Dudley,	158.77
	M. A. Beck,	205.07
in part,	H. S. Gale,	6.00
	E. T. Hurd,	3.00
and int,	B. G. Smith,	260.11
in part,	S. G. Lougee,	135.00
and int.	E. T. Hurd,	54.19
	C. O. Stockbridge,	82.96
in part,	C. F. Gilman,	12.00
	C. B. Gale,	3.00
and int.	Mary Pickering,	42.75
	Nathan Pickering,	25.16
	E. S. Nelson,	106.18
	F. H. Edgerly,	51.23
	M. M. Morrill,	229.62
in part,	Alexis Dudley,	200.00
	Trs. Gilmanton Ac'd'y,	5.00
	Nicholas Hodgdon,	75.00
	Sophia Adams,	100.00
	Trs. of H. G. Hall's est.,	100.00
and int.	Sophia Adams,	675.13
	H. W. Peaslee,	224.72
	Ephraim Shannon,	261.84
in part,	J. S. Young,	560.00
and int.	A. T. Page, Guardian,	183.42
	A. T. Page, Guardian,	125.42
	D. G. Edgerly,	267.83
	F. H. Evans,	104.20
	F. H. Edgerly,	260.52
in part,	N. C. Folsom,	10.00

Paid order in part, drawn to	N. C. Folsom,	10.00
	H. S. Orange,	15.00
	Peter Dudley,	25.00
and int.	A. M. Edgerly,	26.78
	G. H. Dow,	28.16
in part,	H. S. Gale,	6.00
	T. J. Gale,	6.00
	Peter Dudley,	50.00
and int.	Anna M. Page,	63.28
	Chas. F. Gilman,	83.10
in part,	M. F. Clark,	650.00
	E. Holbrooke.	10.50
and int.	A. H. Tilton,	1,242.89
	Stephen Dudley,	352.91
in part,	Trs. Gilmanton Ac'd'y,	229.83
	H. D. Edgerly.	18.54
	Dorothy Corner,	5.47
and int.	Mary Piper,	62.24
	A. M. Edgerly,	153.78
in part,	Caroline Gale,	5.00
and int.	James Drew,	65.47
	J. H. Drew,	82.89
	M. F. Clark,	364.77
in part,	N. C. Folsom,	20.00
	Eben. Chase,	40.00
interest on	Parsonage Fund,	25.06
in part,	J. P. Hill,	48.00
	N. C. Folsom,	10.00
and int.	A. M. Edgerly,	27.61
in part,	E. J. Hilliard,	12.00
and int.	S. W. Sargent,	102.69
in part,	Henry Chesley,	9.08
	Salome Chesley,	12.60
	A. F. Clifford.	10.00
	M. A. Gilman,	50.00
	Cong. Church, I. W.,	12.00
and int.	F. B. Coffin,	114.61
	Sam'l Ayers,	141.87

Paid order and int. drawn to Sam'l Ayers,	424.84
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	\$9,346.92

### CURRENT EXPENSES.

Paid State tax,	\$1,612.00
county tax,	2,494.43
The several school districts in town,	1,567.10
F. W. B. Printing Establishment, town reports,	61.25
Z. Peaslee, wood for office,	3.50
A. Prescott for taking depositions,	3.00
Mrs. Z. H. Kitchen, watering trough, 1872-73,	6.00
J. R. Mudgett, procuring money,	2.00
C. H. Aiken, express on reports,	.55
J. W. Hoitt, watering trough, 1873,	2.00
B. W. Sanborn & Co., books and stationery,	14.84
Fire Insurance Co., office rent,	12.00
H. S. Gale, procuring money,	2.00
Cyrus F. Gilman, procuring money,	4.00
C. G. Kelley, watering trough,	1.50
F. J. Smith, procuring money,	2.00
M. Pickering,                    “	.80
M. A. Gilman,                   “	1.12
I. D. Gilman,                   “	1.10
Chas. F. Gilman,               “	.66
Chas. F. Gilman,               “	2.00
Willie Marsh,                   “	1.00
Trs. of Gilmanton Academy, use of hall,	12.00
J. S. Young, procuring money,	20.00
D. G. Edgerly,                   “	5.00
H. S. Gale,                       “	2.00
T. J. Gale,                       “	2.00
H. S. Orange,                   “	5.00
J. M. Gilman, school-house tax, Dist. No. 15,	50.00
S. G. Lougee, procuring money,	20.00
J. Prescott, watering trough, 1873,	1.50
Mary Potter, procuring money,	6.00
J. T. Cotton,                   “	1.00

Paid Ezekiel Hill, procuring money,	4.80
C. D. Weare, “	4.00
H. B. Kimball, “	37.94
C. E. Marsh, printing,	4.50
Jonathan Young, procuring money,	8.80
Charles Varney, “	2.00
Charles Varney, “	10.67
Peter Dudley, “	30.00
H. D. Edgerly, “	3.00
S. S. Nelson, “	6.88
A. T. Page, “	5.50
O. J. Edgerly, “	24.00
E. P. Nelson, “	4.60
Henry Tebbetts, “	5.00
Henry Tebbetts, “	13.00
Martha J. Piper, “	6.00
H. S. Page, “	6.28
A. R. Page, “	4.00
J. A. Hurd, “	5.00
A. R. Page, “	2.00
Reuben Edgerly, “	4.25
Horace Edgerly, “	4.60
Jonathan Young, “	14.45
J. K. Dudley, examining records, &c.,	2.00
J. K. Dudley, guide-boards,	4.00
Nicholas Hodgdon, procuring money,	6.50
J. P. Clough, procuring money,	4.64
Jonathan Prescott, watering trough, 1874,	1.50
Frances J. Smith, procuring money,	7.00
J. K. Dudley, board of Selectmen, in full	2.00
E. J. Hilliard, procuring money,	4.00
J. R. Mudgett, “	1.00
S. B. F. Mudgett, “	2.00
C. G. Howard, painting guide-boards,	5.25
J. C. Baker, school-house tax Dist. No. 10, in part,	100.00
J. Brown, school-house tax Dist. No. 1,	36.98
J. P. Hill, procuring money,	16.00
E. T. Gilman, procuring money,	4.00
I. H. Knott, distributing notices and printing,	4.00

Paid C. H. Shannon, procuring money,	.79
Zaccheus Peaslee, stationery,	2.59
Zaccheus Peaslee, lumber and fixing desk,	1.75
C. H. Shannon, board of Selectmen, 1874,	19.50
A. Peaslee, board of Selectmen, 1874,	46.40
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	\$6,402.42

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### TOWN POOR.

Paid—

A. Foss, supplies for M. A. Gilman and child,	\$8.74
R. R. Colcord, board of E. Colcord,	20.00
N. Wight, medical aid for Joel Allen, Belmont,	3.50
N. Wight, medical aid for J. B. McClary,	3.00
D. Young, board of Gilman boy,	30.00
I. C. Marsh, aid for transient paupers,	1.00
E. E. Maxfield, board of Bell Gilman,	26.00
I. C. Marsh, aid for transient paupers,	2.00
J. Blake, medical aid,	25.00
F. Hutchinson, board of Mrs. P. Hutchinson,	36.00
J. F. Battes, aid for C. F. Hutchinson,	3.50
J. Brown, aid for Louisa Maxfield,	44.11
J. Brown, aid for Eliza Hutchinson,	7.40
Town of Alton, aid for David Lougee,	10.50
D. T. Ladd, coffin for F. P. McClary,	6.00
Jonathan McClary, board of F. P. McClary,	30.00
D. Young, board of Gilman boy,	27.00
F. Marsh, board of John Marsh,	15.00
D. Young, board of Gilman boy,	12.00
J. J. Hoadley, supplies for C. H. Pierce,	45.56
J. J. Hoadley, supplies for G. C. Allen,	12.10
R. R. Colcord, board of E. Colcord,	30.00
D. L. Marsh, board of John Marsh,	27.00
D. Young, board of Gilman boy,	21.00
F. Hutchinson, board of Mrs. Polly Hutchinson,	54.00
A. P. Munsty, house rent for C. H. Pierce,	4.00
R. R. Colcord, board of E. Colcord,	36.00
J. J. Hoadley, supplies for C. H. Pierce,	29.19

C. A. Dockham, supplies for David Lougee,	10.11
D. L. Marsh, board of John Marsh,	22.00
D. Young, board of Gilman boy,	33.00
D. L. Marsh, board of John Marsh,	14.00
D. Young, board of Gilman boy,	21.00
S. N. Kimball, aid to transient paupers,	2.00
R. R. Colcord, board of E. Colcord.	18.50
J. J. Hoadley, supplies for C. H. Pierce,	14.05
R. R. Colcord, board of E. Colcord,	9.20
D. L. Marsh, board of John Marsh,	10.00
D. Young, board of Gilman boy,	15.00
D. L. Marsh, board of John Marsh,	4.00
J. Brown, supplies for L. Maxfield,	61.79
F. Hutchinson, board of Mrs. P. Hutchinson,	78.00
N. Wight, doctoring poor,	75.00
E. E. Maxfield, board of Bell Gilman,	27.00
A. Foss, for Mary A. Gilman,	8.50
A. Foss, board of M. A. Gilman,	65.00
J. J. Hoadley, for George Allen,	23.11
E. E. Maxfield, board of Bell Gilman,	15.00
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	\$1,095.86

### ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid—

S. H. Dearborn, damage to sleigh,	\$8.25
G. W. Munsey, breaking roads,	5.95
S. E. Eveleth, damage to plow,	6.25
T. S. Dudley, labor on bridge and lumber,	23.67
W. P. Jackman, damage to wagon,	3.00
George Ayers, posts,	6.67
A. Foss, labor,	12.00
Z. Peaslee, labor,	12.00
A. Foss, building bridge.	12.37
Mrs. E. Potter, bridge plank,	4.28
D. L. Marsh, labor on road,	8.00
Ezekiel Hill, labor on road,	2.50
Chas. D. Weare, labor on road,	5.25

Amos Marsh, labor on road,	8.50
M. S. Gale, labor on road,	6.50
T. S. Dudley, bridge plank,	5.00
Nath'l Young, labor,	9.37
Dudley Allen, bridge plank,	3.50
J. Watson, bridge plank,	6.40
J. M. Coffin, labor and bridge plank	15.20
J. K. Dudley, labor,	1.75
Thomas Poor, bridge plank,	2.16
J. Young, bridge plank and labor,	8.10
J. Young, labor,	1.00
L. T. Young, bridge plank,	2.80
W. Bean, bridge plank,	10.92
John Watson, bridge plank,	.75
Henry E. Marsh, repairing bridges, 2 orders,	14.50
J. P. Hussey, oak timber,	1.63
C. H. Shannon, repairing bridges, &c.,	5.50
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	\$213.77

#### ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Paid G. W. Moody, over-tax,	\$11.90
J. D. Merrill, dogs lost,	4.00
M. A. Dennett, ox lost,	.95
A. F. Page, over-tax, 1873,	2.38
A. L. Edgerly, over-tax, 1871,	2.60
J. W. Coggsell, Collector. 1873,	36.44
J. W. Coggsell, Collector, 1872,	14.99
L. Weeks, dog lost,	1.00
A. M. True, horse lost,	.95
Charles Varney, dog lost,	1.00
J. O. Dow, poll tax,	2.20
O. F. Forbes, horse lost,	.44
J. M. Durgin, over-tax,	11.00
J. W. Coggsell, non-resident highway tax,	1.75
D. F. Smith, poll tax,	2.20
Geo. W. Adams, dog lost,	1.00
L. T. Young, dog lost,	1.00
John W. Hoit, over-tax,	11.00
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	\$106.80

## DAMAGE TO SHEEP BY DOGS.

Paid Geo. W. Moody,	\$12.00
Paul A. Merrill,	12.00
Chas. E. Pulsifer,	5.00
N. B. Sanborn,	9.00
Joseph Osborne,	5.00
John L. Sargent,	5.00
S. J. Gale,	12.00
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	\$60.00

## TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid J. W. Page and C. H. Shannon, services as Auditors,	\$4.00
J. W. Page, as Constable, 1874.	1.50
C. E. Marsh, as Town Clerk, in full,	4.50
J. M. Durgin, as School Committee, in full,	20.00
J. S. Beck, as Constable, 1874,	1.50
N. E. Young, as Town Clerk, in full,	8.19
S. Goodwin, as Constable, 1874,	1.50
S. Goodwin, as Constable, 1872-73,	6.00
D. L. Marsh, as Constable, 1874,	1.50
J. K. Dudley, as Selectman in town, in full,	3.00
J. K. Dudley, as Selectman out of town, in full,	4.83
J. Brown, as Constable, 1872-73-74,	7.50
A. P. Munsey, as Collector, 1873-74,	65.00
J. H. Knott, as School Committee,	75.00
Zaccheus Peaslee, Treasurer services,	75.00
Zaccheus Peaslee, Selectman services out of town,	27.50
A. Foss, Selectman services out of town,	21.45
A. Foss, Selectman services in town,	78.68
James A. Hurd, Town Clerk,	24.40
C. H. Shannon, Selectman services out of town,	7.50
C. H. Shannon, Selectman services in town,	88.00
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	\$526.55



*A Synopsis of the foregoing Account.*

To amount charged by Selectmen to Treasurer,	\$26,305.97
By amount paid by Treasurer for out-standing orders	
and interest,	\$9,346.92
current expenses,	6,402.42
poor in town,	1,095.86
roads and bridges,	213.77
abatement of taxes,	106.80
damage to sheep by dogs,	60.00
town officers,	526.55
balance due in hands of Collector and Treasurer,	8,553.65
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	\$26,305.97

Settled as above.

ZACCHEUS PEASLEE, *Treasurer.*

ALVAH FOSS, } *Selectmen of*  
 CHARLES H. SHANNON, } *Gilmanton.*

The undersigned have carefully examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched, and a balance due the town of \$8,553.65.

JOHN W. PAGE, } *Auditors.*  
 ALFRED PRESCOTT, }

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT OF THEIR ACCOUNT WITH COLLECTORS.

Balance of taxes not collected and due March 1, 1875,	
on list committed to Thomas Adams in 1868,	\$59.91
Balance of taxes not collected and due March 1, 1875,	
on list committed to John Lougee in 1869,	36.74
Balance of taxes not collected and due March 1, 1875,	
on list committed to John Lougee in 1870,	100.67
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	\$197.32

ALVAH FOSS } *Selectmen of*  
 CHARLES H. SHANNON, } *Gilmanton.*

## FUNDS OF THE TOWN.

Parsonage fund,	\$417.81
Literary fund,	166.46
The town is indebted for the literary money.	

ZACCHEUS PEASLEE, *Treasurer.*

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We find the town indebted, March 1st, 1875, for outstanding orders, as follows :

Order in favor of C. H. Marsh,	\$20.00
Bearer,	35.85
Eunice Holbrook,	175.00
Charles Varney,	200.00
Ai Page,	774.20
Thomas Adams,	144.63
Edmund Williams,	125.00
Edwin C. Tebbetts, 2 orders,	405.00
L. T. Edgerly,	227.29
Ai Page,	1,097.99
Josiah S. Goodwin, 2 orders,	202.60
N. B. Sanborn,	55.25
Thomas Sargent,	100.00
C. E. Pulsifer,	21.75
C. F. Gilman,	25.00
G. E. Gilman,	25.00
G. E. Gilman,	37.50
Sarah Page,	30.00
Ann M. Lamprey,	30.00
C. F. Merrill, 2 orders,	101.00
E. G. Edgerly,	200.00
H. N. Nelson,	100.00
B. C. Merrill,	28.90
Trs. of H. Hall,	1,650.00
Ann E. Ayers,	261.00
C. G. Edgerly,	200.00
B. H. Gilman,	50.00
Nicholas Gilman,	200.00
S. P. Sanborn,	71.72

Order in favor af G. E. Edgerly,	50.00
Simon Straw,	400.00
C. C. Varney,	200.00
Trs. Gilmanton Ac'd'y, 2 orders,	1,212.54
Mercy Dudley,	21.00
M. O. Merrill,	200.00
Joseph Merrill,	250.00
J. D. Proctor, 2 orders,	1,000.00
Samuel Ayers,	709.65
A. M. Lamprey,	20.00
M. A. Beck,	730.00
J. P. Clough,	130.00
E. A. Glidden,	50.00
H. B. Kimball,	1,896.77
Ann M. Williams,	1,155.00
Charles Varney,	700.00
M. A. Clough,	20.00
M. J. Young, 2 orders,	97.64
Ezekiel Hill,	180.00
M. A. Beck, Guardian,	780.00
C. F. Gilman,	120.00
G. E. Gilman,	90.00
Ira Gilman,	16.18
M. J. Tebbetts,	50.00
L. D. Blake, 2 orders,	30.50
Nicholas Gilman,	100.00
D. E. Edgerly,	53.67
N. J. Moore,	102.00
Jonathan Young,	348.50
D. S. Ayer,	204.00
Polly Hatch,	348.52
Nicholas Hodgdon,	345.77
B. O. Clapp,	140.00
Sally Lougee,	36.00
H. E. Lougee,	30.00
Amelia Peaslee,	50.00
Ezekiel Hill,	60.00
A. P. Munsey,	150.00
A. E. Ayers,	128.00

Order in favor of S. S. Fifield, 2 orders,	303.00
M. J. Tebbetts.	50.00
Willie Marsh,	50.00
H. S. Page,	109.92
Peter Dudley,	1,294.11
J. A. Edgerly,	248.55
M. I. Copp,	131.05
S. B. Drew,	100.00
Martha Nelson, 2 orders,	78.54
C. W. Clay,	263.33
C. W. Gilman,	.52
L. T. French,	59.71
R. E. Avery,	100.00
J. H. Drew,	60.00
J. J. Young,	200.00
I. D. Clough,	150.00
M. A. Hurd,	272.65
S. C. Edwards.	700.00
S. M. Haynes,	200.00
E. A. Glidden,	600.00
Amelia Peaslee.	55.20
J. J. Young,	250.00
T. W. Hill,	700.00
A. R. Page,	100.00
Joseph Avery,	101.00
D. L. McDuffee,	500.00
M. G. Nelson,	100.00
D. S. Ayer.	225.00
E. P. Nelson,	114.45
S. G. Lougee,	1,000.00
A. P. Clifford,	100.00
A. R. Page,	50.00
J. T. Gilman,	136.93
Nathaniel Stevens,	1,330.12
M. E. Heath,	300.00
Joseph Heath,	300.00
D. E. Edgerly,	20.00
Jonathan Young,	100.00
True Hill,	50.00

Order in favor of H. D. Edgerly,	45.00
Zaccheus Peaslee,	100.00
G. E. Gilman, 2 orders,	102.00
E. F. Gilman,	100.00
H. S. Orange,	250.00
S. B. Drew,	85.00
Henry Tebbetts, 2 orders,	250.00
H. D. Edgerly,	105.00
A. E. Avery,	354.39
M. L. Dow,	61.32
C. D. Weare,	200.00
H. S. Page,	200.00
E. P. Nelson,	230.00
A. K. Gilman,	300.00
F. M. Merrill,	100.00
M. S. York, 2 orders,	51.00
M. J. Tebbetts,	100.00
D. E. Edgerly, 3 orders,	90.80
S. C. Edwards,	450.00
S. B. F. Mudgett,	100.00
M. A. Lougee,	50.00
E. G. Clough,	308.00
M. J. Tebbetts,	100.00
Christana Flanders,	43.00
Jonathan Young,	225.00
S. W. Sargent, 2 orders,	51.00
A. T. Page, 2 orders,	200.00
I. P. Coffin,	100.00
J. P. Clough,	102.00
Ira Gilman,	8.00
A. R. Page,	150.00
H. S. Gale,	100.00
M. I. Copp,	30.00
R. E. Avery,	250.00
H. B. Davis,	147.66
Mary Potter,	300.00
R. L. Flanders,	1.00
C. G. Littlefield,	200.00
Nicholas Gilman,	200.00

Order in favor of A. B. Parsons,	5.00
C. B. Gale,	50.00
C. F. Gilman,	200.00
M. J. Piper,	300.00
Dorothy Conner,	20.00
A. T. Page,	75.00
C. W. Marsh,	146.71
E. Marsh,	50.00
C. P. Hutchinson,	6.00
Charles Varney,	100.00
L. A. Hussey,	150.00
Elexis Dudley, balance,	800.00
C. G. Littlefield,	120.00
S. D. Nutter, 2 orders,	76.50
M. A. Hill,	100.00
M. O. Merrill,	300.00
C. F. Merrill,	100.00
Cynthia Clay,	55.00
O. J. Edgerly, 2 orders,	765.00
J. B. & H. S. Goodwin,	100.00
L. D. Blake,	10.00
C. I. Ross,	30.00
H. E. Lougee,	10.00
Charles Varney,	100.00
J. S. Young, balance,	500.00
D. Conner,	50.00
T. J. Gale,	100.00
H. S. Gale,	100.00
C. J. Littlefield,	756.36
N. C. Folsom, balance,	40.00
M. J. Folsom,	25.00
J. T. Cotton,	50.00
C. H. Tebbetts,	50.00
Mary Emerson,	80.00
W. A. Conner,	3.00
S. B. F. Mudgett,	112.00
J. R. Mudgett,	100.00
Zaccheus Peaslee,	400.00
M. A. Gilman,	56.00

Order in favor of I. D. Gilman,	55.00
C. F. Gilman,	33.00
W. B. Marsh,	70.00
E. A. Glidden,	250.00
Bearer,	417.81
C. F. Merrill,	100.00
M. O. Merrill,	100.00
E. S. Mudgett,	3.00
M. A. Gilman,	387.86
S. W. Sargent, 2 orders,	612.00
Henry Tebbetts,	400.00
J. R. Mudgett,	50.00
O. J. Edgerly,	1,200.00
F. E. Edgerly,	50.00
J. P. Hill,	800.00
J. S. Page, guardion,	49.00
Mehitabel Swett,	137.77
Nicholas Gilman, 2 orders,	83.64
A. S. Hilliard,	85.00
E. J. Hilliard,	200.00
Charles Varney,	100.00
M. S. Powell,	366.18
S. A. Batchelder,	50.00
W. N. Swain,	350.00
I. W. Cong. Church,	200.00
T. B. Lane,	325.00
A. F. Willey,	80.70
S. W. Sargent,	5.00
Amelia Peaslee,	54.00
M. A. Gilman, balance,	115.00
E. T. Hurd,	40.00
Joshua W. Ayers,	282.28
W. B. Thompson,	1.00
Ebenezer Chase, balance,	60.00
J. P. Clough,	200.00
L. A. Hussey,	150.00
E. S. Nelson,	100.00
J. P. Hill, 2 orders,	200.00
A. V. Edgerly,	900.00

Order in favor of A. C. Shannon,	500.00
G. E. Smith,	123.75
C. M. Sargent,	60.00
Lydia Bean,	50.00
D. T. Conner,	25.00
D. G. Edgerly,	300.00
O. J. Edgerly,	15.00
A. T. Page, Edgerly heirs,	48.84
M. I. Copp, 2 orders,	55.00
C. K. Lewis, 2 orders,	510.00
A. T. Edgerly,	100.00
A. M. Page,	100.00
A. E. Gale,	125.00
O. E. Moulton,	50.00
J. T. Cotton, 2 orders,	126.00
Betsey Hussey,	200.00
Frank and Flora Lougee,	12.00
G. W. Griffin,	4.00
A. H. Tilton,	1,000.00
Herbert Glidden,	60.00
E. A. Glidden,	270.00
Horace Beck,	75.00
W. B. Marsh, 2 orders,	100.00
R. W. Page,	7.70
L. D. Blake,	20.00
J. P. Ellsworth,	.88
O. J. Lougee,	25.00
Mary Piper,	40.00
S. A. Batchelder,	25.00
M. R. Rand,	390.09
J. W. Page,	6.60
E. S. Nelson,	1.14
F. J. Smith,	404.20
E. S. Mudgett, 2 orders,	29.68
C. A. Hatch,	2.64
Salome Chesley,	200.00
Henry Chesley,	150.00
A. F. Page,	4.40
C. F. Gilman,	3.00



J. L. Page,	2.20
C. A. Dockham,	17.08
Ezekiel Hill,	1.20
Mary I. Copp,	30.00
J. P. Hussey,	17.04
J. A. Jones,	11.99
J. R. Sawyer,	1.00
O. F. Forbes,	20.00
E. S. Price,	136.05
Z. Peaslee,	75.75

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### INDEBTEDNESS OF TOWN.

For outstanding orders,	\$55,431.51
literary money,	166.46
interest due on outstanding orders, estimated,	500.00
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	\$56,097.97

### ASSETS OF TOWN.

Due from Government, bounties assigned,	\$2,080.00
T. Adams, Collector, 1868,	59.91
J. Lougee, Collector, 1869,	36.74
J. Lougee, Collector, 1870,	100.67
James Cogswell, Collector, 1872,	241.79
James Cogswell, Collector, 1873,	776.77
A. P. Munsey, Collector, 1873,	91.86
J. Brown, Collector, 1873,	167.11
J. W. Cogswell, Collector, 1874,	2,470.16
A. P. Munsey, Collector, 1874,	2,249.28
J. Brown, Collector, 1874,	1,849.59
Cash in hands of Treasurer,	707.09
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	\$10,830.97
Indebtedness of town over means,	\$45,267.00

ZACCHEUS PEASLEE, *Treasurer,*

ALVAH FOSS, } *Selectmen of*  
 CHARLES H. SHANNON, } *Gilmanton.*

JOHN W. PAGE, } *Auditors.*  
 ALFRED PRESCOTT. }



# SCHOOL COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

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## DISTRICT No. 1.

Prudential Committee, Paul A. Merrill. Summer term of six weeks, taught by Miss Helena A. Sargent, an experienced and efficient teacher. She appeared at home in the school-room. She labored hard to improve the school, and with tolerable good success. This school is quite backward. Number of scholars, 24; average 23.

Winter term taught by Mr. True H. Maxfield, who is doubtless a good teacher. He entered upon the duties of the school-room as one who understood his business. Not receiving notice of the close in season to attend, and the school register not being returned, your committee cannot report statistics or results.

## DISTRICT No. 2.

Prudential Committee, Thomas B. Lane. One term of eleven weeks, taught by Mr. George F. Munsey. This was a good school, well managed; order excellent; results creditable to both teacher and scholars. Number of scholars, 32; average, 27.

## DISTRICT No. 3.

Prudential Committee, A. R. Page. First term of ten weeks, Miss Clara I. Ross, teacher. Miss R. endeavored to do her duty faithfully, and the closing examination gave evidence of decided improvement. Number of scholars, 13; average, 11.

Second term, of eleven weeks, was taught by Mr. John P. Clough. That fact alone is sufficient to guarantee its success.

Mr. Clough fully sustained his previous well-earned reputation as a faithful and thorough instructor. Good improvement was made. Number of scholars, 16; average, 14.

#### DISTRICT No. 4.

Prudential Committee, Charles W. Hill. Summer term of six weeks taught by Miss Emma H. Page, an experienced teacher, modest, mild and retiring. She kept a good school, maintained good order and gave general satisfaction. Not being present at the close cannot report improvement. Number of scholars, 17; average, 15.

Winter term of eight weeks was taught by Miss Laurenia A. Gale. It is wonderful what rapid improvement can be made in a school in a few weeks by the earnest efforts of a competent and efficient teacher. No school in town made better progress in the same length of time than this. As a teacher Miss Gale is too well and favorably known to need commendation by me. (By their fruits ye shall know them.) Evidently she ought to teach. Number of scholars, 15; average, 13.

#### DISTRICT No. 5.

Prudential Committee, Dixi C. Page. First term of eight weeks, Miss Emma H. Page teacher. Her former reputation was well sustained. The scholars appeared well, habits of study good, discipline good, progress commendable. Number of scholars, 22; average, 19.

Winter term of ten and a half weeks taught by Miss Belle Copp, a teacher of some experience. Miss Copp is a fine scholar, a good disciplinarian, a competent and successful instructor. The school, under her earnest, systematic and efficient management, made excellent improvement. Examination satisfactory. A beautiful memento presented the teacher at the close, by her scholars, indicated the esteem in which she is held by them. Number of scholars, 23; average, 19.

## DISTRICT No. 6.

Prudential Committee, George C. Parsons. One term of thirteen weeks, taught by Miss Clara E. Page, a faithful, experienced and deservedly popular teacher. The closing examination satisfied your committee that both teacher and taught performed their respective duties faithfully and with excellent results. But, O! such a school house. We hope those interest will give it their attention. A word to the wise is sufficient. Number of scholars, 13; average, 10.

## DISTRICT No. 7.

Prudential Committee, Jonathan Young. One term of ten weeks taught by Miss Clara E. Page. This school is composed mostly of large and well advanced scholars, and is a very interesting and good school. Order excellent. Good advancement was made in all the studies. A goodly number of visitors attended the closing examination, adding much to the interest. Number of scholars, 17; average, 15.

## DISTRICT No. 8.

Prudential Committee, J. L. Allen. Summer term of six weeks taught by Miss Nettie P. Price. This was her first school but she performed the duties of the school-room nobly. She is destined to make a first class teacher. General satisfaction was expressed by the district, especially in reading and arithmetic. Number of scholars, 13; average, 12.

Winter term, of nine and three-fifths weeks, taught by Miss Martha E. Price, a teacher of extensive and acknowledged ability. This school was not as profitable as it might and ought to have been; not because of any fault in the teacher, but simply because two boys of one family in the district disagreed and quarrelled in school. The teacher, as was her duty, insisted on having order. The parents, as we understand it, not only upheld the boys but took them and the rest of their children out of school, much to their discredit, we think. The district sustained the teacher. as they should do.

Whooping-cough prevailed, which accounts for the decrease in numbers. However, the school was not a failure; those scholars who enjoyed its advantages made rapid progress. Number of scholars, 15; average, 9.

#### DISTRICT No. 9.

By an arrangement between the district and the trustees of Gilmanton Academy, this school was temporarily placed in charge of Mr. J. B. Clark, principal of said academy, for instruction. He employed, as assistants—first term, of thirteen weeks—Miss O. Elnora Sanborn, teacher. Number of scholars, 30; average, 27.

Second term, of eleven weeks, Mr. Fred H. Corson, teacher. Number of scholars, 29; average, 24. Both good teachers. The arrangement, as we understand it, has not met the expectations of the district.

#### DISTRICT No. 10.

Prudential Committee, Cyrus Varney. The old, uncomfortable, repulsive school-house in this district has undergone thorough repairs, both inside and out, at a cost of \$125, much to the credit of the district. It is now a comfortable and pleasant school-room. A few feet of blackboard and some paint will add still more to its beauty and convenience. There was one term of school of ten weeks, taught by Miss Cynthia Varney, a young lady of excellent literary attainments. The school appeared well at both visits of your committee. The closing examination gave evidence of advancement in reading, arithmetic, algebra, and book-keeping. Yet considerable dissatisfaction has been expressed by the district. Want of order is the complaint. Number of scholars, 11; average, 9.

#### DISTRICT No. 11.

Prudential Committee, W. B. Thompson. One term of thirteen weeks. Edwin P. Thompson, teacher—a young man

of rare ability and excellent qualifications for the work of the school-room. This was his first school, and in his own district, but his success was admirable, results creditable to both teacher and scholars. Number of scholars, 12; average, 9.

#### DISTRICT No. 12.

Prudential Committee, T. W. Poor. Two terms of twelve weeks each, both taught by Miss Anna M. Paige. This, though small, is in many respects one of our best schools. Some of the best readers in town are among its pupils. The advanced classes in arithmetic and grammar are superior. Miss P. is an earnest worker, a faithful and conscientious teacher. She gave perfect satisfaction. Number of scholars: first term, 14; average 11. Second term, 11; average, 10.

#### DISTRICT No. 13.

Prudential Committee, A. J. Phillips. Two terms—one five, the other six weeks. Miss Sarah A. Batchelder of Loudon taught both terms. A pleasant and agreeable teacher, she labored under the disadvantage of having nearly all small scholars, hence did not manifest that degree of energy in the school-room she otherwise would, doubtless, there being but little to inspire. She has the reputation of being a good teacher, which no doubt she is. The school appeared well, improvement fair. Number of scholars: first term, 10; average, 9. Second term, 17; average, 15.

#### DISTRICT No. 14.

Prudential Committee, H. M. Connor. Two terms—one eight, the other nine weeks. Both terms taught by Miss Emma L. Jones of Concord. We think this district fortunate in obtaining the services of Miss Jones, a teacher well qualified by nature and intellectual culture for the work of the school-room. She governed by love, hence, the scholars all loved her. Both terms highly satisfactory; discipline good, progress

all that could reasonably be expected. Number of scholars : first term, 15 ; average, 13. Second term, 16 ; average, 14.

#### DISTRICT NO. 15.

Prudential Committee, Stephen Lougee. Some \$50.00 was expended by the district in making their school-house comfortable and attractive—a step in the right direction ; a little more of the same sort is still needed. There was but one term of school, of twelve weeks ; teacher, Miss May C. Edgerly. This was her first school, and in her own district. The appearance of the school was good at the first of the term, and there was no visible reason why good results might not be realized ; no complaints have been heard. Notice of the close not being received in season to attend, your committee was not present. Number of scholars, 17 ; average, 12.

#### DISTRICT NO. 16.

Prudential Committee, Charles Sargent. There were two terms, one of eight, the other of eleven weeks, both taught by Miss Cora B. Gale. This was Miss Gale's first experience in teaching ; she labored earnestly and faithfully for the improvement of her pupils, and we think with satisfactory results. Experience only is needed to place her in the first ranks as a teacher. Good order was maintained, and commendable progress made. Number of scholars, first term, 8 ; average, 7 ; second term, 11 ; average, 8.

#### DISTRICT NO. 17.

Prudential Committee, Cyrus Lamprey. One term, twelve and three fifths weeks, taught by Miss Ella J. Arnold. This was her first term, and she performed her duties well ; she gives promise of making a first-class teacher. This was the smallest school in town—no advanced scholars. Order good ; improvement good, considering circumstances. Number of scholars, 8 ; average, 5.



## DISTRICT NO. 18.

Prudential Committee, John P. Hussey. The summer term, of eight weeks, was taught by Miss Clara E. Page. As usual, she succeeded in keeping a good school. Our Divine Savior once said, while on earth, "A prophet is not without honor, save in his own country and among his own kin"; but the fact that Miss Page has taught in her own town six months the past year, is evidence that she is an exception to that rule. She knows how to teach, and the people understand that fact. In this school good results were reached. Number of scholars, 36; average, 29.

Winter term of ten and four-fifths weeks. Mr. George H. Mason of Loudon had charge of this school; a teacher of no ordinary ability. During this term the school fully sustained its former reputation of being a peculiarly difficult school to govern, but Mr. Mason proved himself adequate to the task imposed upon him. About the middle of the term some young men, members of the school, became refractory and disobedient, which fact resulted in difficulties requiring official interference. An investigation was had: the district nobly sustained the teacher; order was restored by the suspension of the refractory element, who, I am sorry to say, were apparently sustained by their parents, much to their future injury we greatly fear; by making suitable confession of wrong done, and promising to comply in future with the reasonable rules of the school, the suspended ones were allowed the privilege to return. They did not see fit to accept terms, but remained away, thus manifesting a spirit of wilful insubordination to good order and wholesome discipline in school, totally unworthy an enlightened age and a civilized community. They are the greatest losers, for, in spite of the interruption, the school was a perfect success. The closing examination, which was witnessed by a large number of citizens, parents, and others, was exceedingly interesting, reflecting great credit on both teacher and scholars. As a thorough instructor Mr. Mason has few superiors. Number of scholars, 52; average, 43.

## REMARKS.

In presenting a report of the condition of the public schools of this town, for the year just closed, we feel justified in saying that they will compare favorably with those of years past, still, there is ample room for improvement. Of the twenty different teachers employed this year only seven taught in town last year, yet I am not aware that our schools have suffered materially by the change, as is sometimes the case. The teachers have all acquitted themselves creditably. Much credit is also due to the Prudential Committees for their faithfulness in performing the duties assigned them.

In the selection of teachers, sagacity, wisdom and sound judgment should be employed. A good thorough education is of prime importance, yet we know that the best scholars do not always succeed as teachers; the most brilliant scholar, without discipline or the power to command obedience, will certainly fail, while the ordinary scholar, possessing this power, will succeed. Order is Heaven's first law; it must be maintained in our schools, or the money expended is worse than wasted. Parents, by their hearty co-operation, can wonderfully aid in the work of educating the young.

Reform in the matter of text-books is much needed; there are quite too many different kinds in use for the benefit of our schools. New Geographies, (Our World,) were introduced in most of the schools the past year; let the reform be carried forward till uniformity is obtained.

In some few districts permanent and much-needed repairs were made in school rooms. To all others where repairs are needed—and there are a goodly number of them—we would say, Go thou and do likewise. In district No. 18, we would suggest the propriety of a graded school. It is, it seems to me, next to impossible for one teacher to do justice to all the scholars, large and small, in this school. The judgment of your committee is, that with a new school-house and a graded school, the money of the district might be far more profitably expended.

A few new school-houses are very much needed. We hope

those immediately concerned will take notice, and govern themselves accordingly.

For statistics in detail, we refer you to a report to be lodged in the Town Clerk's office, as required by law.

In conclusion, as knowledge is power, and as our system of education in our public schools is the basis of our greatness, strength, and freedom, as an intelligent and enlightened people, let us vigilantly guard and liberally foster and sustain these institutions of learning, perpetuating them, with all their untold blessings, to future generations.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. KNOTT,

*Superintending School Committee.*

Gilmanton, N. H., Feb. 25, 1875.





